

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported S. 2899, to express the policy of the United States regarding the United States' relationship with Native Hawaiians, to provide a process for the reorganization of a Native Hawaiian government and the recognition by the United States of the Native Hawaiian government, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

NATIVE HAWAIIAN RELATIONS

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee concluded hearings on S. 2899, to express the policy of the United States regarding the United States' relationship with Native Hawaiians, to provide a process for

the reorganization of a Native Hawaiian government and the recognition by the United States of the Native Hawaiian government, after receiving testimony from American Samoa Delegate Faleomavaega; Kevin Gover, Assistant Secretary of the Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs; Jacqueline Agtuca, Acting Director, Office of Tribal Justice, Department of Justice; Clayton Hee and Mililani B. Trask, both of the Office of Hawaiian Affairs, Raynard C. Soon, Department of Hawaiian Home Lands, Mahealani Kamau'u, Native Hawaiian Legal Corporation, and Tara Lulani McKenzie, ALU LIKE, Inc., all of Honolulu, Hawaii; Julie Kitka, Alaska Federation of Natives, Anchorage, Alaska; and Ron Allen, National Congress of American Indians, Washington, D.C.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 20 public bills, H.R. 5173–5192; and 5 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 400–402, and H. Res. 577–578, were introduced. **Pages H7650–51**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows.

H.R. 2267, to amend the National Trails System Act to clarify Federal authority relating to land acquisition from willing sellers for the majority of the trails, amended (H. Rept. 106–846);

H.R. 2752, to give Lincoln County, Nevada, the right to purchase at fair market value certain public land located within that county, amended (H. Rept. 106–847);

H.R. 4521, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to authorize and provide funding for rehabilitation of the Going-to-the-Sun Road in Glacier National Park, to authorize funds for maintenance of utilities related to the Park, amended (H. Rept. 106–848);

H.R. 4096, to authorize the Secretary of the Treasury to produce currency, postage stamps, and other security documents at the request of foreign governments, and security documents at the request of the individual States or any political subdivision thereof, on a reimbursable basis (H. Rept. 106–849);

H.R. 238, to amend section 274 of the Immigration and Nationality Act to impose mandatory minimum sentences, and increase certain sentences, for bringing in and harboring certain aliens and to amend title 18, United States Code, to provide enhanced penalties for persons committing such offenses while armed, amended (H. Rept. 106–850);

H.R. 1349, to amend title 18, United States Code, to combat the over-utilization of prison health

care services and control rising prisoner health care costs, amended (H. Rept. 106–851);

H.R. 2883, to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to confer United States citizenship automatically and retroactively on certain foreign-born children adopted by citizens of the United States, amended (H. Rept. 106–852); and

H.R. 4870, to make technical corrections in patent, copyright, and trademark laws, amended (H. Rept. 106–853).

H.R. 4404, to permit the payment of medical expenses incurred by the United States Park Police in the performance of duty to be made directly by the National Park Service, to allow for waiver and indemnification in mutual law enforcement agreements between the National Park Service and a State or political subdivision when required by State law, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 106–854, Pt. 1).

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Guest Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest Chaplain, Priest Venkatachalapathi Samuldrala, Shiva Hindu Temple, of Parma, Ohio. **Page H7579**

Recess: The House recessed at 9:07 a.m. and reconvened at 11:04 a.m. **Pages H7580–81**

His Excellency Atal Bihari Vajpayee, Prime Minister of India: The House and Senate met in Joint Meeting for the purpose of receiving His Excellency Atal Bihari Vajpayee, Prime Minister of the Republic of India. The Speaker appointed the following to the Committee on the Part of the House to Escort the Prime Minister into the Chamber: Representatives Armeý, Delay, Watts of Oklahoma, Cox, Gilman, Bereuter, Royce, Greenwood, Gephardt, Menendez, Gejdenson, Lantos, Ackerman, Pallone,

Brown of Ohio, and Holt. And, the President Pro Tempore of the Senate appointed the following to the Committee on the Part of the Senate: Senators Lott, Lugar, Thomas, Brownback, Hagel, Chafee, Biden, Durbin, Kerry, Moynihan, and Reid.

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District of Columbia Appropriations: The House passed H.R. 4942, making appropriations for the government of the District of Columbia and other activities chargeable in whole or in part against revenues of said District for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001 by a yeas and nays vote of 217 yeas to 207 nays, Roll No. 474. The House also considered the bill on July 26.

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Agreed to:

Norton amendment no. 23 printed in the Congressional Record that strikes language on the District of Columbia Health Insurance Coverage for Contraceptives Act of 2000;

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Souder amendment No. 2 printed in H. Rept. 106–790 and debated on July 26 that prohibits the use of Federal funding for needle exchange programs (agreed to by a recorded vote of 239 yeas to 181 nays, Roll No. 473);

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Bilbray amendment no. 3 printed in H. Rept. 106–790 that prohibits the possession of tobacco products by individuals under the age of 18 (agreed to by a recorded vote of 265 yeas to 155 nays, Roll No. 472); and

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Tiahrt amendment No. 4 printed in H. Rept. 106–790 that prohibits the exchange of needles within 1000 feet of schools and other gathering places for children.

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H. Res. 563, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill was agreed to on July 26.

NASA Authorization Conference Report: The House agreed to the conference report to accompany H.R. 1654, to authorize appropriations for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration for fiscal years 2000, 2001, and 2002 by a yeas and nays vote of 399 yeas to 17 nays, Roll No. 475.

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H. Res. 574, the rule that waived points of order against the conference report was agreed to by voice vote.

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Legislative Branch Conference Report: The House agreed to the conference report to accompany H.R. 4516, making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001 by a yeas and nays vote of 212 yeas to 209 nays, Roll No. 477.

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H. Res. 565, the rule that waived points of order against the conference report was agreed to by voice vote.

Energy and Water Appropriations: The House disagreed to the Senate amendment to H.R. 4733, making appropriations for energy and water development for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001, and agreed to a conference. Appointed as conferees: Chairman Young of Florida and Representatives Packard, Rogers, Knollenberg, Frelinghuysen, Callahan, Latham, Wicker, Visclosky, Edwards, Pastor, Forbes, and Obey.

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Transportation Appropriations: The House disagreed to the Senate amendment to H.R. 4475, making appropriations for the Department of Transportation and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001, and agreed to a conference. Appointed as conferees: Chairman Young of Florida and Representatives Wolf, DeLay, Regula, Rogers, Packard, Callahan, Tiahrt, Aderholt, Granger, Sabo, Olver, Pastor, Kilpatrick, Serrano, Forbes, and Obey.

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Agreed to the Sabo motion to instruct conferees to insist on no less than \$43,144,000, the amount provided in the Senate amendment, for the pipeline safety program.

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Trafficking Victims Protection Act: The House disagreed with the Senate amendment to H.R. 3244, to combat trafficking of persons, especially into the sex trade, slavery, and slavery-like conditions in the United States and countries around the world through prevention, through prosecution and enforcement against traffickers, and through protection and assistance to victims of trafficking and agreed to a conference. Appointed as conferees: Representatives Gilman, Goodling, Smith of New Jersey, Hyde, Smith of Texas, Johnson of Connecticut, Gejdenson, Lantos, Conyers, and Cardin.

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Agreed to the Watt of North Carolina motion to instruct conferees to recede to the Senate on provisions contained in section 7 of the Senate amendment relating to obtaining visas for victims of trafficking without numerical limitation.

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Presidential Message—Arctic Research: Read a letter from the President wherein he transmitted the Eighth Biennial Report of the Interagency Arctic Research Policy Committee referred to the Committee on Science.

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Committee to Attend the Funeral of the Late Honorable Herbert H. Bateman: Pursuant to H. Res. 573, the Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of the following members to attend the funeral of the late Honorable Herbert H. Bateman from the Commonwealth of Virginia: Representatives Bliley, Hastert, Armey, Bonior, Wolf, Boucher, Sisisky, Pickett, Moran of Virginia, Goodlatte, Scott, Davis of Virginia, Goode, Spence, Shuster, Skelton, Stump, Bereuter, Hunter, Skeen, Bilirakis, Burton,

Ortiz, Packard, Houghton, Morella, Goss, McNulty, Tanner, Bartlett, Buyer, Fowler, McKeon, Ehlers, Hostettler, LaHood, Latham, Gibbons, Riley, and Sherwood. **Page H7631**

Meeting Hour—Monday, September 18: Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 12:30 p.m. on Monday, September 18.

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Calendar Wednesday: Agreed to dispense with the Calendar Wednesday business of Wednesday, September 20. **Page H7631**

Referral: H.R. 4975 was re-referred to the Committee on Government Reform. **Page H7627**

Senate Messages: Message received from the Senate today appears on page H7579.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Three yea and nay votes and two recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H7597, H7597–98, H7598–99, H7606–07, and H7626. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10:30 p.m. and adjourned at 7:32 p.m.

Committee Meetings

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Commerce: Ordered reported the following bills: H.R. 3100, amended, Know Your Caller Act; H.R. 2592, amended, to amend the Consumer Products Safety Act to provide that low-speed electric bicycles are consumer products subject to such Act; H.R. 3850, amended, Independent Telecommunications Consumer Enhancement Act of 2000; H.R. 2346, to authorize the enforcement by State and local governments of certain Federal Communications Commission regulations regarding use of citizens band radio equipment; H.R. 1689, amended, to prohibit States from imposing restrictions on the operation of motor vehicles providing limousine service between a place in a State and a place in another State; H.R. 2641, amended, to make technical corrections to title X of the Energy Policy Act of 1992; and H.R. 1795, amended, National Institute of Biomedical Imaging and Engineering Establishment Act.

AMERICAN WORKERS—HOW TO IMPROVE PENSION COVERAGE

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Employer-Employee Relations held a hearing on How to Improve Pension Coverage for American Workers. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

MINE SAFETY AND HEALTH REVIEW

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Workforce Protections held a hearing on a Review of Mine Safety and Health: The State of the Industry Today. Testimony was heard from J. Davitt McAtteer, Assistant Secretary, Mine Safety and Health, Mine Safety and Health Administration, Department of Labor; and public witnesses.

ARMENIAN GENOCIDE

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on International Operations and Human Rights held a hearing on H. Res. 398, United States Training on and Commemoration of the Armenian Genocide Resolution. Testimony was heard from Representatives Bonior and Rogan; Ambassador Marc Grossman, Director General, Forest Service, Department of State; and public witnesses.

ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS PRIVACY ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on the Constitution approved for full Committee action, as amended, H.R. 5018, Electronic Communications Privacy Act of 2000.

ENDANGERED SPECIES ACT

Committee on Resources: Held an oversight hearing on GAO review of Endangered Species Act implementation in Southern California. Testimony was heard from Derek Stewart, Associate Director, Energy, Resources, and Science Issues, Resources, Community, and Economic Development Division, GAO; and Jamie Clark, Director, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior.

OVERSIGHT

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Forests and Forest Health held an oversight hearing on Private Conservation Efforts: Lessons for National Forests. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

DEBT RELIEF LOCK-BOX RECONCILIATION ACT

Committee on Ways and Means: Ordered reported, as amended, Debt Relief Lock-box Reconciliation Act for Fiscal Year 2001.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2000

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Forests and Public Land Management, to hold oversight hearings to examine Federal agency preparedness for the Summer 2000 wildfires, 10 a.m., SD–366.

House

No committee meetings are scheduled.